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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN DANIEL FUCHS, on February 10, 2003 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Daniel Fuchs, Chairman (R)

Rep. Ronald Devlin, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Ron Erickson, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Joan Andersen (R)

Rep. Joe Balyeat (R)

Rep. Gary Branae (D)

Rep. Eileen J. Carney (D)

Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)

Rep. Larry Cyr (D)

Rep. Gary Forrester (D)

Rep. Kim Gillan (D)

Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)

Rep. Bob Lake (R)

Rep. Carol Lambert (R)

Rep. Jesse Laslovich (D)

Rep. Jim Peterson (R)

Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)

Rep. Karl Waitschies (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch

Video-taped Committee: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society. THE TIME STAMP REPRESENTS ELAPSED TIME.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 477, 2/4/2003

Executive Action: None.

01:00 VICE-CHAIRMAN DEVLIN assumed the chair.

EXHIBIT (tah29a01)

HEARING ON HB 477

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:00 **REP. FUCHS, HD 55 -- Short Title:** Local option sales tax authority

Proponents' Testimony:

07:00	Gordon Morris, Montana Association of Counties	
07:00	Billie Krenzler	
08:00	Alec Hansen, Montana League of Cities and Towns	
14:00	Jani McCall, City of Billings	
EXHIBIT (tah29a02)		
16:00	Stuart Doggett, Montana Innkeepers Association	
19:00	Joe Mazurek, City of Great Falls	
21:00	Carl Schwietzer, Bozeman and Kalispell Chambers of	
	Commerce	

Opponents' Testimony:

23:00 Clinton Cain

EXHIBIT (tah29a03)

EXHIBIT (tah29a04)

31:00	Gene Fenderson, Montana Progressive Labor Caucus		
36:00	Mike Fellows, Montana Libertarian Party		
38:00	Steve Turkiewicz, Montana Auto Dealers Association		
39:00	Mary Whittinghill, Montana Taxpayers Association		
42:00	Riley Johnson, National Federation of Businesses		
44:00	Nancy Schlepp, Montana Farm Bureau		
47:00	Webb Brown, Montana Chamber of Commerce		

<u>Informational Testimony</u>:

48:00 Dan Dodds, Department of Revenue

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

50:00

Closing by Sponsor:

1:09:00

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:	11:12 A.M.	
		REP. DANIEL FUCHS, Chairman
		KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (tah29aad)